



RECEIVED
DEC 07 2000
OFFICE OF PETITIONS

DAC
#4
nLW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: D.A. Slawson et al.
Application No.: 09/224,009
Filed: December 31, 1998
Title: VISUAL THESAURUS

Attorney Docket No.: MSFT112767

Group Art Unit: 2772

Examiner: 2174

RECEIVED
DEC 26 2000
Technology Center 2100

PETITION AND AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Seattle, Washington 98101

November 29, 2000 RECEIVED

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

DEC 21 2000

The following documents are enclosed:

Technology Center 2600

- (1) Amendment;
- (2) Petition to Correct Inventorship Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a), with accompanying Statement in Support of Petition to Correct Inventorship;
- (3) Assent of Assignee to Addition of Inventor;
- (4) Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by all of the inventors; and
- (5) Our Check No. 122938 in the amount of \$130 to cover the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i).

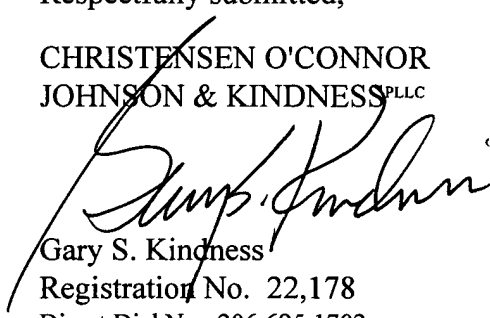
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for

LAW OFFICES OF
CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINNESS
1420 Fifth Avenue
Suite 2800
Seattle, Washington 98101
206.682.8100

any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR
JOHNSON & KINDNESS^{PLLC}


Gary S. Kindness

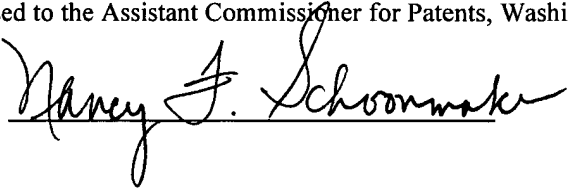
Registration No. 22,178

Direct Dial No. 206.695.1702

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first-class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on 11/30/00.

Date: 11/30/00

GSK:ctg/nfs



LAW OFFICES OF
CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESS^{PLLC}
1420 Fifth Avenue
Suite 2800
Seattle, Washington 98101
206.682.8100